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This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings of claims in the instant application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method and apparatus for a bandwidth adaptive image compression/decompression scheme comprising:

using a protocol between sender and receiver wherein said protocol calculates bandwidth latency of the connection;

calculating the perceptual degradation of said image for various compression schemes; and

choosing a compression scheme based on the results of said protocol and the results of said calculating the perceptual degradation of said image for various compression schemes;

transmitting the most-interesting data first;
discarding repetitious data; and
calculating the perceptual degradation of said image
for various compression schemes.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said step of using a protocol is done periodically.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said step of using a protocol is based on a dynamic feedback loop.

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- 4. Cancelled) Please cancel Claim 4, without prejudice.
- 5. Cancelled) Please cancel Claim 5, without prejudice.
- 6. (Cancelled) Please cancel Claim 6, without prejudice.
- 7. (Cancelled) Please cancel Claim 7, without prejudice.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said step of choosing a compression scheme depends, in part, on said scheme that uses CPU time conservatively.
- 9. (Cancelled) Please cancel Claim 9, without prejudice.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said step of transmitting is decided by a wavelet transform scheme.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said step of discarding is done when said connection is down for a short period of time.

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- 12. (Cancelled) Please cancel Claim 12, without prejudice.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A computer program product comprising:

a computer usable medium having computer readable program code embodied therein configured to create a bandwidth adaptive image compression/decompression scheme, said computer product comprising:

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to use a protocol between sender and receiver wherein said protocol calculates bandwidth latency of the connection;

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to calculate the perceptual degradation of said image for various compression schemes; and

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to choose a compression scheme based on the results of said protocol and the results of said calculation of the perceptual degradation of said image for various compression schemes;

computer readable code configured to cause a computer
to transmit the most interesting data first;

computer readable code configured to cause a computer
to diseard repetitious data; and

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to calculate the perceptual degradation of said image for various compression schemes.

14. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 13 wherein said computer readable code configured to

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cause a computer to use said protocol <u>is configured to cause</u> said computer to use said protocol periodically.

- 15. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 13 wherein said computer readable code configured to cause a computer to use <u>said</u> protocol <u>is configured to cause said computer to use said protocol</u> based on a dynamic feedback loop.
- 16. (Cancelled) Please cancel Claim 16, without prejudice.
- 17. (Cancelled) Please cancel Claim 17, without prejudice.
- 18. (Cancelled) Please cancel Claim 18, without prejudice.
- 19. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 13 wherein said computer readable code configured to cause a computer to choose a compression scheme based on the results of said protocol is configured to cause said computer to choose a compression scheme, in part, depending on said scheme that uses the CPU time conservatively.
- 20. (Cancelled) Please cancel Claim 20, without prejudice.

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- 21. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 13 wherein said computer readable code configured to cause a computer to transmit the most interesting data <u>first determines said most interesting</u> data <u>is decided</u> by a wavelet transform scheme.
- 22. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 13 wherein said computer readable code configured to cause a computer to discard repetitious data is configured to cause said computer to discard said repetitious data discards is done when said connection is down for a short period of time.
- 23. (Cancelled) Please cancel Claim 23, without prejudice.